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E.O. 12065: RDS-1 3/30/02 (SCHNEIDER, D. T.), NEA  
TAGS: AF, SHUM, UMHCR, SREF, PORQ, BE, PINT, EEC  
SUBJECT: EC ASIAN EXPERTS MEETING - CONFERENCE ON AFGHAN  
REFUGEES

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 4251 (NOTAL); (B) BRUSSELS 31461  
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1. C - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. YOU MAY DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BELGIANS ON THE SUBJECT MEETING.

3. REF A (NOTAL) INDICATED THAT THE BELGIAN CHAIRMAN OF THE EC ASIAN EXPERTS GROUP CONTINUES MISTAKENLY TO BELIEVE THAT PAKISTAN PLANS TO PRESENT A PROPOSAL CALLING FOR A PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES DURING THE SPRING ECOSOC WHICH BEGINS IN MID-APRIL.

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5. WE WANT TO SEE AFGHANISTAN DISCUSSED ON SEVERAL FRONTS AT THE SPRING ECOSOC. DETAILS OF PROPOSED U. S. STRATEGY WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF SEPTEL. IN THE MEANTIME, YOU MAY TELL THE BELGIANS THAT WE HOPE THAT THERE WOULD BE A DISCUSSION OF THE AFGHAN REFUGEE PROBLEM WITHOUT AN ASSOCIATED CALL FOR PLEDGING CONFERENCE. HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN AFGHANISTAN COULD QUITE NATURALLY BE BROUGHT UP IN THE CONTEXT OF THE UNHRC REPORT. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT AN UMBRELLA ITEM OF AFGHANISTAN TOWARDS THE END

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OF THE SPRING SESSION, WHEN THE ENTIRE SCOPE OF THE SITUATION IN AFGHANISTAN COULD BE ADDRESSED, WOULD PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR FOCUSING APPROPRIATE ATTENTION ON THIS CRITICAL ISSUE. HAIG

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